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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Dale F. McIntyre, et al.

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REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests an Interview with the Examiner before action is taken with respect to Amendment filed concurrently herewith. An Interview is requested to discuss the issues raised in the Amendment.

The Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned to arrange a convenient time when this paper is received.

Respectfully submitted,

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